



Minnesota Ag News – Milk Production

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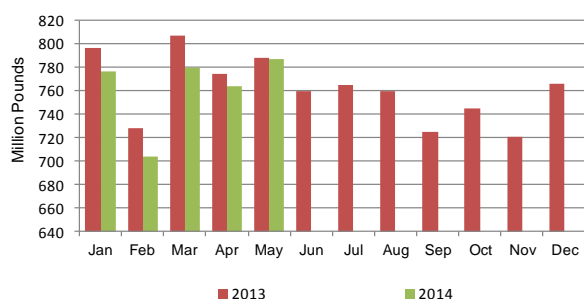
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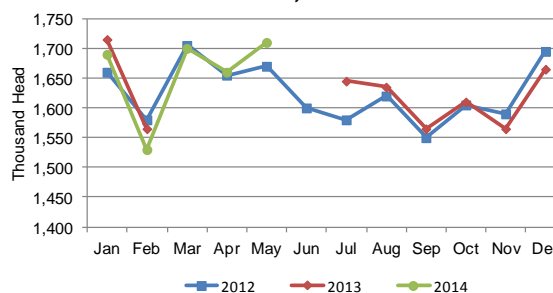
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Milk production in Minnesota during May 2014 totaled 787 million pounds, down less than 1 percent from May 2013, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during May, at 460,000 head, was unchanged from last month. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,710 pounds, the third highest average since records began in 1932.

**Milk Production, Minnesota,
2013-2014**



**Milk Production per Cow,
Minnesota, 2012-2014**



Milk Cows and Production: Selected States, May 2013 and 2014

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2013 ³	2014	2013 ³	2014	2013	2014	Change from 2013
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona		192		2,225	411	427	3.9
California		1,780		2,110	3,720	3,756	1.0
Colorado		143		2,165	283	310	9.5
Florida		123		1,895	225	233	3.6
Idaho		572		2,070	1,178	1,184	0.5
Illinois		95		1,770	167	168	0.6
Indiana		177		1,935	340	342	0.6
Iowa		208		1,970	405	410	1.2
Kansas		141		1,995	258	276	7.0
Michigan		384		2,145	798	824	3.3
Minnesota.....		460		1,710	788	787	-0.1
New Mexico		323		2,240	714	724	1.4
New York		615		1,935	1,193	1,190	-0.3
Ohio		266		1,795	489	477	-2.5
Oregon		125		1,815	222	227	2.3
Pennsylvania		530		1,750	941	928	-1.4
South Dakota.....		97		1,855	170	180	5.9
Texas		460		2,010	840	925	10.1
Utah		95		1,915	177	182	2.8
Vermont		131		1,755	231	230	-0.4
Virginia		93		1,700	155	158	1.9
Washington		276		2,100	558	573	2.7
Wisconsin		1,269		1,880	2,385	2,386	-
23-State Total.....		8,552		1,976	16,648	16,897	1.5

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves ³ Survey was not conducted in April & July, resulting in no milk cow and milk per cow data for March through June.

United States Milk Production

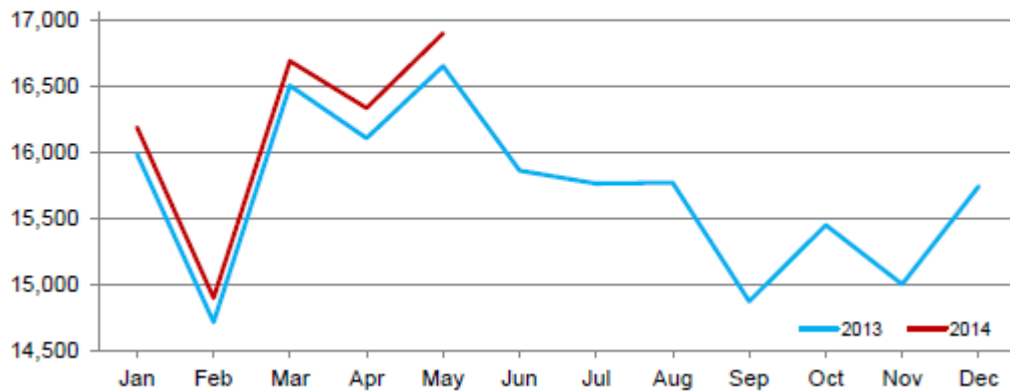
Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 16.9 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from May 2013. April revised production, at 16.3 billion pounds, was up 1.4 percent from April 2013. The April revision represented an increase of 27 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,976 pounds for May. This is the highest production per cow for the month of May since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.55 million head, 10,000 head more than April 2014.

Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

Million pounds



The complete report can be found under **Publications** on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov.